QUALIFICATIONS: Master’s degree in Exercise Science required, Ph.D. in Exercise Science preferred (required for rank of Assistant Professor). Candidates without a terminal degree will hold the rank of instructor, non-tenure track. Preferred certifications include but are not limited to group fitness, personal training and/or strength and conditioning certifications. The ideal candidate will bring a strong knowledge in special populations along with a solid background of practical experience from the health and fitness field. Three (3) to five (5) years experience teaching at the undergraduate level preferred. Experience in online and/or blended education preferred. Strong recruiting skills are necessary to ensure continued growth in the Health Promotion and Fitness major. This is a ten month tenure-track position with commensurate expectations for teaching, scholarship and service.

STARTING DATE: August 2014

RESPONSIBILITIES: Teach undergraduate level courses in the Health Promotion and Fitness major. A secondary role will be to assist with the “OtterFit” faculty/staff health and fitness campus wide program. Faculty members are expected to be involved in professional and community activities for the purposes of scholarship, professional development, student advising and mentorship, and service.

DEPARTMENT: The Department of Health and Sport Sciences has nine (9) full-time faculty, four (4) adjunct faculty, and four (4) academic teaching staff members. Our mission is to “prepare students to become competent self-directed professionals” To learn more about the Department of Health and Sport Sciences please visit our website at http://www.otterbein.edu/public/Academics/Departments/HealthandSportSciences.aspx.

OTTERBEIN UNIVERSITY is a private, co-educational, comprehensive liberal arts institution founded in 1847 and affiliated with the United Methodist Church. It is located in Westerville, Ohio, a suburb of Columbus that has been ranked the fifth friendliest town in America by Forbes and
Nextdoor.com in 2012 and 15th on Money Magazine’s 2009 list of Best Places to Live. Otterbein enrolls approximately 3,000 students, including full and part-time undergraduates, adult learners, and students enrolled in The Graduate School. Otterbein offers more than 70 majors, as well as individualized fields of study. Master’s degree programs are offered in allied health, business administration, education, educational mathematics and nursing, including courses in its newly-accredited nurse anesthesia program in conjunction with Grant Medical Center. Otterbein’s first doctorate program, doctor of nursing practice (DNP), began classes in spring 2011. Accredited since 1913 by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, Otterbein has consistently placed high among peer institutions in U.S. News & World Report’s “Guide to America’s Best Colleges” for over a decade. Otterbein is ranked 17th among 147 schools in its category in the 2014 guide. Otterbein has also been recognized by Washington Monthly as a top school for contributions to the public good and by the President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for its commitment to community service and service-learning.

WHERE: Otterbein University is located in Westerville, Ohio, a suburb of Columbus. Westerville has a population of approximately 37,000 people and combines the beauty and convenience of a medium-sized community with the cultural, educational, and economic benefits of Columbus, the state capital, a thriving and diverse metropolitan area of 1.4 million people. Central Ohio is the fastest growing area in the state with stability provided by a diversified economy.

APPLICATION: Finalists for the position will be asked to submit official transcripts for all previous academic work. Send letter of interest, curriculum vitae, and three (3) current letters of reference to: Dr. Barbara Schaffner, Dean of the School of Professional Studies, Otterbein University, One South Grove Street, Westerville, OH 43081. Email submissions: academicjobs@otterbein.edu. Review of applications begins immediately and continues until the position is filled. To learn more about the School of Professional Studies, please visit us at www.otterbein.edu/professionalstudies.

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